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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION **PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 3, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL in the above-identified patent application.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.

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TOTAL	* 15	** 20	= 0	X 25=	\$	X 50=	\$ 0
INDEP	* 5	*** 3	= 2	X 100=	\$	X 200=	\$ 400
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+180=	\$	+360=	\$ 0
			TOTAL ADD FEE \$		OR TOTAL	\$ 400	

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